State Board for Crane Operators Minutes of the January 9, 2014, Meeting

Members Present: Edward St. John, Chairman; Edward Shapiro, Richard DeJulio; Nate Brown;

Richard Cop

Also Attending: Elliot Henowitz, State Crane Inspector; Jenna Padula, DAS/DCS; David D'Ostilio,

IUOE, Rick Barrett, IUOE; Kevin Kopetz, DAS/DCS; Lelah Campo, ABC; Linda

Spring DAS/DCS/OSFM

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m.

- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Old Business:
 - A. None
 - B. No discussion
 - C. Re-certification testing is progressing. Most operators requested to be tested in January or February. The practical exam date has been posted online. Approximately 40 operators have been tested to date.

4. New Business:

- A. & B. Letters have been sent to the applicants that were approved by the Crane Board for their test.
- C. The Crane Board's recommendation on the OSHA final rule was to postpone until 2017. A motion was made and seconded. Atty. Kopetz made it clear that a legislative proposal needs to be made and approved to enable this action. A motion was made and seconded and further discussion will take place at the next Crane Board meeting.

5. Comments from the public:

A question was posed as to how postponing until 2017 would affect crane operators within the next couple of months. Another comment was that the testing should continue regardless and the Crane Board agreed.

Crane Accidents and hearings – a motion was made and seconded by the Board to amend the agenda to add two hearing requests and scheduling them. A motion was made and seconded to schedule the informal hearings on February 5, 201, one to be scheduled at 11:00 a.m. and the second for 11:45 a.m.